



The probe commission, formed by BNP, interviews a few witnesses at Vodroghat in Sirajgang yesterday to find out reasons behind the October 11 train accident in the district that killed six people. (Story on Page 1)

## 2 injured in clash at DU

UNB, Dhaka

Two students were injured in a clash between two factions of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) on Dhaka University (DU) campus yesterday.

Witnesses said the clash broke out between the activists of Zahurul Haq Hall and Haji Mohammad Mohsin Hall units over taking position in a procession in the morning.

The DU unit BCL brought out the procession for welcoming admission seekers to DU.

During the brief clash that lasted about 15 minutes, the feuding groups chased each other and pelted bricks, leaving two injured.

Both the groups, however, claimed that their 10 to 15 activists were injured in the clash.

## PROJONMO'71 DISCUSSION

# Join battle against Jamaat, Shibir

Speakers urge all

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a discussion urged all to join another battle like the Liberation War to drive Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islam and Islami Chhatra Shibir, the anti-liberation forces, out of the country.

They made the call yesterday, cautioning people to keep alert about any conspiracy to foil war crimes trial. Immediate arrest of Ghulam Azam and other war criminals was also demanded at the discussion.

Projonmo'71, an organisation of children of Liberation War martyrs,

arranged the discussion on its 19th founding anniversary.

Deputy Speaker Col (ret) Shawkat Ali as the chief guest said Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman never forgave the war criminals. Rather he passed several laws and amended the constitution to try the culprits.

"A total of 11,000 war criminals were detained before Bangabandhu was killed, and their trial was supposed to begin."

It was Ziaur Rahman who cancelled the Collaborators Act and stopped the war crimes trial after assuming power in 1975, added Shawkat.

"Khaleda did nothing against the criminals. Rather she sheltered and shared power with them as Zia did after 1975."

The deputy speaker called for documents of mass killing and crimes against humanity from the families of war victims and witnesses across the country.

"Don't hesitate to speak out against the criminals even if they are influential, as we need strong evidence to give them exemplary punishment."

Shawkat, referring to the Thursday's arrest of 20 Jamaat men, said, "We all know their

identities and will never allow them to create anarchy to thwart war crimes trial."

State Minister for Liberation War Affairs ABM Tajul Islam said the war criminals are gathering arms and ammunitions to use against pro-liberation forces. "We need to prepare for final retaliation against them."

Dhaka University Vice Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique, and former army chief and general secretary of Sector Commander's Forum Lt Gen (ret) M Harun-or-Rashid also spoke at the meeting.

# Sudha Sadan to be Zia museum

Juba Dal threatens AL if Khaleda forced to leave house

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sudha Sadan, the prime minister's personal residence, will be made "freedom fighter Zia memorial museum" if the Awami League (AL) government drives Khaleda Zia out of her cantonment house.

"We will see in future how you (Sheikh Hasina) stay at Sudha Sadan," Juba Dal President Syed Moazzem Hossain threatened at a rally in the city yesterday.

The opposition BNP's youth front arranged the rally followed by a colourful procession marking its 32nd founding anniversary.

Juba Dal's statement was protested by AL Deputy Office Secretary Mrinal Kanti Das who said people will not give the "undemocratic and evil" BNP the chance to assume power to do so. BNP's every evil design will be frustrated by the countrymen, he added.

BNP Standing Committee Member Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain after inaugurating the procession asked Juba Dal to prepare

for a tough movement to realise the demand for mid-term election.

The movement will continue if the plot over Khaleda's house is not stopped, he said. "We will fight this conspiracy by a tough agitation on the street."

Several thousand leaders, workers and supporters of Juba Dal attended the procession carrying posters and portraits of late president Ziaur Rahman, former premier Khaleda Zia and their son Tarique Rahman.

They walked from Muktangan through Bijoy Nagar, Kakrail, Shantinagar and Malibagh to Moghbazar.

Standing Committee Member Nazrul Islam Khan, Juba Dal General Secretary Saiful Alam Nirob, Vice President Abdus Salam Azad, Joint General Secretary Mortazul Karim Badru, among others, addressed the rally.

On Thursday, Juba Dal began its 3-day anniversary programme, which will end today with a discussion at Mohanagar Natya Mancha in the city.

# Dispose of cases quickly

Chief Justice urges judges

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Justice ABM Khairul Haque yesterday urged the senior assistant judges to dispose of cases quickly and pronounce judgements immediately after the hearing.

During a meeting with the judges, he also emphasised making the judicial activities transparent, Md Ashrafur Islam, registrar of the Supreme Court, told The Daily Star.

The meeting was held on the premise of the Supreme Court as part of a series of meetings that the chief justice had been holding with judicial officials on every Friday and Saturday of the week.

The chief justice advised the judicial offi-

cial to devote their life to the service of the people even within limited facilities.

About 150 senior assistant judges participated in the meeting and raised several problems they were facing in the field level.

The chief justice assured them of taking necessary measures in this regard, the registrar said.

The purpose of the whole endeavour was to bring excellence in the judicial performance, he added.

The chief justice sat with the sub-judges last Friday and with the judicial magistrates on Saturday.

The series of meetings will conclude on November 12.

# Woman attempts 'suicide'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Failing to tolerate abuses by her own relatives, a woman yesterday attempted to commit suicide by burning with kerosene.

However, she escaped the suicide, as her in-laws managed to douse the fire on time.

With burn injuries, Parul Akhter, 26, wife of unemployed Awlad Hossain, was admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) in the afternoon.

"My husband has been unemployed. So, I had to bring money from my parents in Chittagong, which was difficult for me. However, my

relatives in Chittagong used to laugh at my husband," Parul told The Daily Star.

She said her husband also slapped Parul, as her relatives insulted him, she said.

"I could not tolerate all these abuses and tried to commit suicide," said Parul having around 10 percent of her body burnt. Her husband's house is at Mollartek of Dakkhinkhan in the city.

Parul, mother of two children, received burn injuries at her neck, abdomen and two hands.

Parul closed the door of her room and set herself on fire at about 12:30 pm yesterday, said Sufia Begum, mother-in-law of Parul.

As Parul closed the door, Sufia sensed something bad and saw through the window that Parul was trying to set herself on fire.

"Luckily, the window was open. So, Awlad and I poured water through the window and doused the fire," Sufia said at the DMCH.

She said though they have their own house in the city and earned something from the rent of two tenants, Parul and Awlad had conflicts, as it was difficult to manage the family.

Lokman Hakim, officer-in-charge of Dakkhinkhan Police Station, said they detained Awlad for interrogation.

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